12.00 Noon

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

RE: Correcting Answer to Starred Question No. 89, Answered on 3rd December, 1999

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE):): Sir, in the statement laid on the Table of the House in reply to Starred Question No. 89 by Shri Ram Deo Bhandary regarding complimentary rail passes, it was *inter alia* indicated that 50 complimentary cheque passes were issued by the then Minister for Railways and 405 complimentary cheque passes were issued by the then Minister of State for Railways in the previous Government.

It is regretted that an inadvertent clerical error occurred in the reply while furnishing the figures with regard to complimentary cheque passes issued by the then Minister for Railways and the then Minister of State for Railways in the previous Government. The figures indicated in the reply and the correct figures are as follows:-

Minister	Figures indicated	Correct Figure
The then Minister for Railways	50	
The then Minister of State for Railways	405	346

SHRI MD. SALIM (West Bengal): It is a Starred Question. ... *(Interruptions)*...

KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE: It is a correction, Sir. ...*(Interruptions)*....

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, nothing more ...*(Interruptions)*... Now, papers to be laid on the Table.